

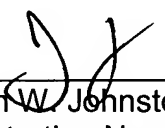
REMARKS

In the Office Action, a restriction requirement was placed on the pending claims. Specifically, restriction was required between claims 1-24 (Group I) and claims 25-26 (Group II). In response, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in complete condition for allowance and favorable action, therefore, is respectfully requested. Examiner Portner is invited and encouraged to telephone the undersigned, however, should any issues remain after consideration of this response. Please charge any additional fees required by this Response to Deposit Account No. 04-1403.

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